Capacity of existing wagon manufacturers

2270. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be id to state;

(a) what are the names of the existing wagon manufacturers in the country and is their respective capacity;

(b) what arc the details of the orders placed by Government on each of the wagon manufacturers during the last three year-wise and how does it match iheir capacity; and

what is the period likely to be taken by them to complete the orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) and (c) A statement indicating

(i) Licensed Capacity

(ii) Planned Off-take &

(iii) Actual Production by various wagon building units in the last three years is attached. *[See* Appendix CXLTX, Annexure No. 129]

(c) The slippage in manufacture of the wagon builders during the year is not ctrried forward but fresh allocations are made each year

Losses duc to Underweighing of Export Shipments

-271. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA; Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM he pleased to

ia) whether ii is a fact that cases of underweighing and wrong declarations of weight of export shipments at the Indira Gandhi International Airport causing substantial annual loss to the Exchequer have been detected recently;

(b) if so, what are the details (hereof stating the annual estimated loss suffered by Government as a result thereof during last three years;

(c) whether any racket in such males has been unearthed; if so, what action has bees taken [proposed to be taken by Government against the persons involved in the racket; and

what measures have been takea by Government to streamline the system to check such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) On the basis of sample checks of export consignments done by IAAI during the year 1988 at IGl Airport, certain instances of underweghing involving a revenue loss of Rs. 5,876/- to IAAI have come to notice. Compared to the total Cargo-handling revenue of IAAI, the incidence of loss on this account is negligible .

(c) The shippers and Customs clearing; Agents involved in detected cases have been identified and the airlines concerned have been advised to take necessary action . Penal charges were also levied on erring exporters,

(d) The arrangements for weighing of Cargo have been strengthened and penal charges have been introduced for weight. variations bevond acceptable limits.

Imports of Centre Buffer Couplers and . Draft Gears

2272 SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Wiil the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refei to answer to Unstarred Question 120 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd 1589 and state;

(a) what are the reasons for preferring imports of High Tensile couplers and draft gears, ignoring the domestic capability; and

(b) what is the estimated cost of the imports, in foreign exchange involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) High Tensile couplers and draft gears are being imported In order to upgrade the